ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention relates to a compound of formula (I), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, wherein Z is OR1 or NR1R2 wherein each of R1 and R2 is independently H, or a hydrocarbyl group; X is an alkylene, alkenylene, or alkynylene group, each of which may be optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from alkyl, COOH, CO₂-alkyl, alkenyl, CN, NH₂, hydroxy, halo, alkoxy, CF₃ and nitro; Y is a polar functional group selected from OH, NO₂, CN, COR³, COOR³, NR³R⁴, CONR³R⁴, SO₃H, SO₂-R³, SO₂NR³R⁴ and CF₃, where each of R³ and R⁴ is independently H or a hydrocarbyl group; A is an aryl or heteroaryl group, each of which may be optionally substituted; and B is (CH2)_n where n is 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5; with the proviso that: (i) when A is phenyl, n is 0, and Z is OH, X-Y is other than *meta*-C≡-C- $(CH_2)_2CO_2H$, meta- $C\equiv -C-(CH_2)_2OH$, meta- $C\equiv C-(CH_2)_2CO_2Me$, meta- $(CH_2)_4CO_2H$, ortho-CH₂CO₂H, ortho-(CH₂)₂CO₂H and ortho-(CH₂)₄CO₂H; and (ii) when A is phenyl, n is 0, and Z is OMe, X-Y is other than *meta*-C≡C-(CH₂)₄OH. Further aspects of the invention relate to the use of such compounds in the preparation of a medicament for the treatment of a muscular disorder, a gastrointestinal disorder, or for controlling spasticity or tremors.